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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: SECRETARY CLINTON IN PAKISTAN, TAIWAN, U.S.
MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM

Editorial Quotes

11. SECRETARY CLINTON IN PAKISTAN

"Secretary Clinton acts as 'director' at speech in Pakistan"

The official Communist Party international news publication Global Times (Huanqiu Shibao)(10/30)(pg 2): "Secretary Clinton's visit sparked a wave of 'Hillary fever' (positive connotation) in Pakistan. She gave a 20-minute speech at a Pakistani university and spent 40 minutes answering students' questions. At her direction, students left their seats and quickly lined up to ask questions. When she answered their questions, she was eloquent, logical, wise and funny, and her answers received applause. When asked about the differences between President Obama's policy on Pakistan and President Bush's, Secretary Clinton said that she firmly opposed Bush's policy, but believes Obama understands Pakistan's difficulties. When talking about U.S.-Pakistan relations, she said that the U.S. government is dedicated to maintaining a long-term relationship with Pakistan to deal with issues affecting both countries' interests. She also pointed out that both the U.S. and Pakistan have had negative views of each other at times, but that her visit is meant to demonstrate the U.S.'s good will towards Pakistan. Pakistan is a geopolitically important country and has become the largest recipient of U.S. assistance."

12. TAIWAN

"The U.S. is conning money out of Taiwan through arms sales"

The China Radio International sponsored newspaper World News Journal (Shijie Xinwenbao)(10/30)(pg 4): "Arms sales to Taiwan have always been a method used by the U.S. to curb mainland China. The U.S. will make substantial profits from the sale of a long-distance early warning radar system to Taiwan. With this system, the U.S. can also collect information on mainland China. Experts said that when it comes to arms sales to Taiwan, the U.S. only cares about its own strategic and economic interests. Thus, Taiwan should seek common ground with mainland China instead of putting too much hope in U.S. arms."

13. U.S. MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM

"Retreat in order to advance"

The official Communist Party People's Daily (Renmin Ribao)(10/30)(pg 3): "Obama announced recently that he would halt missile defense plans in the Czech Republic and Poland. This move is actually 'a retreat in order to advance.' The U.S. has incorporated missile defense into its national strategy based on its assessment of the security threats it faces in the 21st century. This strategy will not easily change with a new administration, the financial crisis, or opposition from other countries. In addition, research on a missile defense system has contributed to technological advances

that strengthen the U.S. in many fields. In this way, the U.S. can maintain its military and technological advantages. In fact, the new U.S. missile defense plan is an 'upgraded' version of the old plan and is more practical, more flexible and more powerful. In this new plan, it is worth watching out for sea-based missile defense systems. Such mobile missile defense systems do not occupy a particular area of land and can therefore avoid complicated legal troubles in other countries."

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